Subject: Adjunctive Eligibility

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Policy: An applicant is adjunctively income eligible for WIC benefits if:

- The applicant can document that he/she is fully eligible to receive TAF, Medicaid or Food Stamps
- The applicant is "presumed eligible" (pending completion of the eligibility process) to receive TAF, Medicaid or Food Stamps
- The applicant can document that he/she is a member of a family containing a TAF recipient; or
- The applicant can document that he/she is a member of a family containing a pregnant woman or infant who receives Medicaid

Reference: CFR §246.7

Procedure:

- 1. Request the following as proof of participation in these programs.
 - a. Food Stamps: "Notice of Eligibility" form.
 - b. TAF: printout with case number or documentation from social services.
 - c. Medicaid: valid Medicaid card, Medicaid-HMO card or letter from Medicaid stating eligibility is pending. Note: if verification is needed for Medicaid-HMO card, call the Medicaid Automated Help-Line at 1-800-552-8627 or the HMO.
- 2. Applicants must present documentation (award letter or benefit card) that they or other household members are currently receiving benefits from one of the above listed programs. This includes those receiving benefits based on the presumption they will be determined fully eligible. Adjunct eligibility may not be conferred to other members of a foster child's household, because the foster child is considered a household of one. Any other income the applicant receives should still be recorded in the KWIC system.

Those determined to have adjunct income eligibility cannot be disqualified solely on the basis of termination from Food Stamp Program, TAF or Medicaid. If the LA is informed that the client is no longer adjunctively eligible, the client's income eligibility must be reevaluated using the standard income guidelines. (See CRT 06.01.00) Applicants not certified under adjunctive eligibility provisions must present documentation of income eligibility at certification.